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The Executive Committee of the Northern Baptist Convention will recommend that the Convention meet only every other year.

"Pussy Foot" Johnson has gone again to England to help them put liquor out of business. They need help for their liquor bill was \$400,000,000 more in 1920 than in 1919.

It is now reported from Washington that President Harding intends for the newly appointed Ambassador to England, Colonel Harvey, to bring the question of disarmament before the Supreme Council of the Allied nations, including England, France, Italy and Japan. The purpose is to have "an iron bound agreement to lay down arms." In the meantime it will be the policy of this country to "strengthen its defenses while the Supreme Council digests the plans for disarmament."

A telegram from Dr. W. C. James of Birmingham, secretary of the Convention Board of the Southern Baptist Convention says, "Receipts for the year \$545,570.00; expenditures, \$564,620.00. Number of school aided, twelve; number of schools in the Convention, 119; enrollment, 40,000; number in faculties, 1,635. Renewed vigor all along the line in way of survey, publicity, teacher bureaus and ministerial supply."

The Sunday School Board reports for the year just closed, "Receipts, \$1,147,000.00, a gain of \$285,000 over last year. Expended for denominational work, including our own field work, cooperative work with states, tracts and so forth, \$189,000. We have 20,420 Sunday schools, with an enrollment of 1,966,610. There are 6,786 senior unions, 2,188 junior unions. New statistical department reports 27,444 churches, 173,595 baptisms, membership, 3,199,005; contributions to all purposes, \$34,881,032.

The contributions of Southern Baptists in 1920 were \$34,881,032. That is nearly double the amount given in 1919 and more than double the amount raised in 1918. Do you know of any other business which makes so good a showing as the Lord's business? Praise God from whom all blessings flow.

Evangelist Isaiah Watson has been with Pastor Lane in a great meeting in South McComb. On the first Sunday there were 38 additions. Since January 1st Brother Watson has seen 367 take their places in the church.

In all thy ways acknowledge him. It has been some days since we looked into the Hebrew Bible and we cannot give expert testimony in the interpretation of Hebrew words, but taking it for granted that the translators here have hit upon the right word in translating the word acknowledge, it must be necessary to do more than recognize God in our hearts. It must be necessary to even more than take cognizance of Him in laying out our plans. We must do more than consult Him before hand and give Him due credit after the thing is done. We must let others know that we take Him into account, and we must speak to others of how he has been a constant factor and friend in all that has come to us. It is well to show others how God has dealt with us in the details of our lives. If we give such recognition and credit, his dealings will become more and more manifest. God will more and more take the direction of our lives. "In all thy ways acknowledge Him, and He shall direct thy paths."

The State Summer Normal School for teachers will be held at Clinton June 7 to July 9. Ask Dr. J. W. Provine.

Weekly Sermon

Subject—ABUNDANT LIFE.

Text: John 10:10. "I came that they may have life, and may have it abundantly."

Be sure to read the text aright, "May have it abundantly," not "more abundantly." It is not a comparative statement but absolute. He is not comparing the amount of life one day with what we had previously. It is not a development and enlargement. It is not a comparison of what one has with what another has. It is simply an absolute statement of the limitless life which God purposes for his people through Christ Jesus.

Consciously or unconsciously we are constantly putting restrictions on the life which is ours in Christ. There is no limit to what God is willing to do for us, in us and through us. It is His will to live in us and do His work through us. It is His life we are called to live. Eternal life is more than everlasting life. It is the divine life. Its quality is new and its quantity is boundless. Paul says, "It is no longer I that live, but Christ liveth in me." What is it not possible for Him to accomplish?

There are several things we must closely observe and do if we are to let this life of God express itself abundantly in us.

1. We must let Him have his way with us. That is we must yield ourselves to Him for Him to use our bodies and minds to do His Work. There must be complete surrender to the working of God's spirit in us and through us.

2. There must be faith that actively and actually grips God like the hand grips the rope which hauls us up. When he said, "Receive ye the Holy Spirit" he used a word which indicates an active laying hold of God and not a passive reception of something which He puts into our open palm. Faith is laying hold on God and getting a good grip on His word.

3. For the abundant life there must be a wide vision which takes in the whole compass of God's purpose for the world and the complete circle of His activities in every place and every form of ministry.

We knew a good man, a good preacher, a good pastor who did a noble work with and for his people. They were justly devoted to him, and the church was known as a live church. But he made the mistake of having the churches life and activities circle about him and their vision was limited to what they could see with their eyes and they could learn from his personal ministry. They had good congregations and a good Sunday school. Accessions to the church were not uncommon. There was a tingle of life in their meetings and a warmth in their services. But they kept in sight and hearing of the pastor. They made a merry circle around him and kept up a lively gait. But they kept their eyes on him and they heard and learned only what he told them. They were satisfied with it and even delighted.

But he made the mistake of neglecting to put them into personal touch with the larger life and ministry by personal touch with and knowledge of things outside their own locality. For a while they were galvanized by his personality, thrilled by his personality. They were active under the spell of his leadership. They were like the toys you have seen sold on the street, which being wound up would dance and turn a summersault.

But they had not life in themselves. They were only wound up. This pastor made the mistake of neglecting to put the people into touch with the great outstanding purpose of God in the world which they could have had through reading the denominational paper. Because they had no root in themselves they withered away. Not everything is alive that is in motion.

The tree whose roots go deepest and extend the farthest will spread its branches the widest and bear fruit abundantly. No church will prosper greatly and for a long time that does not know more about the widening purpose and work of God in the world. If we are to have life abundantly, we must extend our vision beyond our own locality. The best means for having abundant life is to extend the circle of our knowledge. This cannot be successfully done without the reading of the denominational paper.

We do not commonly think of Africa as our most promising mission field and yet Home and Foreign Fields says more people were received into the churches in Nigeria alone than in India, Ceylon and China together.

An exchange tells of a prominent Baptist in one of our great institutions who, when asked to take a place on a program of an inspirational meeting, wrote to ask what the compensation would be; and, because the compensation was not promised, failed to participate. Now we believe that the laborer is worthy of his hire and we have no sympathy with the niggardliness of a church which is willing to get the benefit of a man's service at his own expense. But we have no respect for the disposition of a preacher or other Christian worker who is unwilling to do any service without asking. "What are you going to give me?" The good Lord deliver us from such a spirit and such men. We have occasionally, very rarely, run across such a one. When a man gets a living from his Christian service he ought to be satisfied, and eager only to render to the Lord and the people the largest possible service. The Lord had to rebuke Peter for this calculating, mercenary spirit. When Peter said, "Lord, we have left all and followed thee. What shall we receive, therefore, Jesus told him that such a one would be liberally rewarded, but warned him that the spirit that prompted the question was wholly bad and would put him at the bottom of the list when rewards were handed out. Read it in the parable of the vineyard laborers.

We have just read two addresses by Dr. S. E. Tull, pastor of First Baptist Church, Jackson, Tenn., on "The Anti-Christ Revealed," and "Evolution Versus the Bible." It is "a contribution to the discussion of present day education," and is deserving of earnest consideration and wide reading. It indicates that the fight is on in the churches and schools between faith in the Bible and the so-called science. We welcome the fight and have no doubt as to the outcome. But it is a fight in which Christians must do their part. We are glad Dr. Tull is right there at the gate of one of our Baptist schools and he will be a friend and helper to genuine Christian Education. More strength to him in all his work.

President Harding has appointed Colonel Harvey to attend the Supreme Council of the Allies at its meetings to arrange the affairs of Europe; and then Mr. Harding looks around over his shoulder in a scared and inquiring sort of way at Senators Borah and Johnson and adds, "Unofficially."

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Jacksonville, El Paso and Galveston ask for the next Southern Baptist Convention. Take your choice.

The foundation work underlying all our other work, making it permanent and joyous is the circulation of the Baptist Record. The man who cannot realize this is blind and cannot see afar off. Now is the time to put the paper in all the homes. The best way is the budget way. In this Mississippi leads all the states. But if we expect to continue to lead we must go forward. We cannot do it and stand still. Are your people a reading people? Do they know where their money is going and what it is doing? Do they understand what you mean when you talk about the campaign? Do they know what is included

in our Baptist budget of work; or are the terms which they hear occasionally in the pulpit all Dutch to them? They need the Baptist Record and will never make full proof of their ministry till they are reading it.

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Try these on your congregation, these five minute sermons in the Baptist Record. They have a specific purpose in this campaign for enlarging our subscription list. Let the people who don't get the Record have them read to them on Sunday Morning. If you wish sample copies of the Baptist Record let us hear from you.

If your neighbor is not taking The Baptist Record, lend him your copy and tell him you would like to take his subscription and send it in. Many a sinner has yielded to the preacher's exhortation when a kind friend touched him on the elbow and asked him to go.

Nicotine gets its name from Nicot who introduced tobacco into France.

If any of our preacher brethren do not like the brief weekly sermon which we propose to publish each week, well, we may have heard better ourselves. But what we should be glad to see is every preacher doing a faithful part by his people in preaching to them on the vital matter of reading. Just to stir up your pure minds, brethren.

In the five year pastorate of J. B. Quin at Tybertown the church membership has increased 100 per cent, the pastor's salary 200 per cent, gifts to missions and benevolences 500 per cent; the Sunday school 100 per cent, and the church went from half time to full time. The W. M. U. is one of the best and there is a splendid B. Y. P. U. He has begun work at Picayune.

Baptists have never had a greater mission in the world or a better opportunity for service than confronts us today. We must make the fight against sacramentalism, that conception of religion which holds that the grace of Christ is confined to the ordinances and ritual in the hands of a priestly class; and we must make the fight on the "Modernist" who destroys faith in the infallible word of God and the atoning death of Jesus Christ. The Lord looks to us for the maintaining of a pure gospel; and the world can be saved by none other.

What would you think of a Baptist preacher who stood in a Baptist pulpit and used a Catholic Rosary, a string of beads, repeating over and over the prayer "Hail Mary etc?" What would you think of a choir in a Baptist church, or a soloist, which sang, "Ave Maria." Well, most of our Baptist people wouldn't stand for it. We don't believe in the worship of the mother of Jesus, nor anybody else's mother. And yet some of our Baptist churches are observing mothers day, including singing songs to their mothers, some of them dead and some of them alive. Songs are an expression of worship. The Lord's day is intended for the worship of God. Anybody who worships any created being is a heathen, whether he lives in China or America. Our mothers who are Christians do not wish us to worship them. They would say with the angel who spoke to John, "See thou do it not; I am a fellow servant with thee. Worship God." We can drift into Romanism and heathenism in the churches simply by not thinking and adopting any Sunday fad that comes along. It is time for some people to wake up their thinkers, and think.

Can you remember the long ago when gasoline sold for 6 cents a gallon, in 1893. In 1896 there were only four automobiles in the United States.

We are still affected by the strike to the extent that we are able this week to get out only half of the usual number of pages. While reducing the quantity temporarily, we will try to keep up the quality of matter sent out, and hope to get back to "normalcy" soon.

The Federal Reserve Board report for April says: "Among the factors that are retarding readjustment are retail prices, high transportation charges, wages and the relatively high prices of such highly important requisites of production as coal and steel. The most important immediate point at which the readjustment process appears to be sticking is the retail price situation."

This is well said. For example, the wholesale price of cheese is said to have dropped ten cents on the pound but the man who buys it to take home hasn't gotten the benefit of it. Cotton prices are lower than in 1913 but cotton goods are higher. The same is true of wool and woolen goods, and painfully true of hides and leather goods. The effort to improve business by insisting on people buying for the good of the cause won't work and ought not to work until the retail price comes down.

The First Church, Chicago, has called Dr. Carter Helm Jones now pastor in Philadelphia.

THINKING WHITE.

The reading of Dan Crawford's book, "Thinking Black," is a revelation and a nightmare; a revelation of a soul surcharged with the love of Christ, and a nightmare in that it uncovers a situation in our world as black as midnight, a place where darkness has covered the land and gross darkness the people.

Now if somebody can and will write a book on "Thinking White"—there is room for it, and need. This is to make a suggestion, not to write a book. There is no doubt the purpose of the gospel is to start men to thinking white and keep them at it. David was not simply using a perfrigid figure of speech when he said, "Purify me with hyssop, and I shall be clean: Wash me and I shall be whiter than snow." For his heart was only pleading the promise of God, "Though your sins be as scarlet, they shall be as white as snow; though they be red like crimson, they shall be as wool."

Paul put before us the same idea and our responsibility for maintaining it when he said, "Whatsoever things are pure, think on these things." It will be possible for the reader to recall amid the many awful things with which the papers were filled during the recent war, the accounts of two unparalleled explosions, one at Hoboken, N. J., and the other at Halifax. The loss by the first in window glass alone in New York and Brooklyn was said to be a million dollars. The one in Halifax was so fearful that it startled two continents. The cause in the first case is said to have been one eight-thousandth part impurity. The second was caused by just half so much if impurity in the composition of the T. N. T., the explosive which turned the tide of battle in Austria and in France.

If so small, apparently insignificant a fraction of impurity in T. N. T. can cause such fearful destruction, how can we estimate the damage done the world by having the gospel adulterated by error, or corrupted by the practices of those who represent it. If the gospel is the dynamite of God unto salvation of a sin cursed world, we must see to it that it and those who are its advocates shall not imperil the world by letting sin into the thoughts. If we are to save not civilization only but the whole world with it, let us be sure we are thinking white.

W. M. U. PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Mrs. A. J. Aven.

When Christ enunciated the great truth, "I am come that they might have life, and have it abundantly," He laid down a cardinal principle that all Christian life should be marked by steady growth. Life and growth are synonymous terms, where development ceases, death begins. It is also a thought worthy of consideration that there is in human history a continuity of Divine revelation and leadership. That God through the Holy Spirit leads His people into new and larger fields of service. Sometimes the way may lead through the "valley of weeping," but they shall go, even as the Psalmist said "from strength to strength." There are many periods in the history of our Woman's Missionary Union that are marked by distinct progress. These periods of achievement stand out as clearly against the past as mountain peaks stand out against the evening sky. If I were asked to describe in few words the growth and progress of the more than four decades of our State organization, I would characterize it, first "by faith," second, "by faith," and on through the other periods—and then as a prophecy of the determined effort for the future. I would reaffirm, "by faith." The history of all real progress is the history of God's challenge and man's response. Just as our great national danger demanded a new standard of patriotism and service from every citizen, so the present condition of the world, and the missionary task demands from every Christian a change in the existing standards of missionary zeal and service, and the elevation of our spiritual ideals. The reports which will be presented for your consideration may not total the sum of the gifts of last year, nor represent the real financial strength of our societies, yet with all the stress and strain, the financial and industrial readjustments which have made themselves felt in our State our union's response to the denomination's kingdom programme has been glad, exultant, adventurous and hopeful. Glad, in that through these difficulties we have recognized God's leadership and responded to the opportunities for service with the joyful willingness of trustful children; exultant, in that as a direct result of our wonderful campaign a world vision and world passion have stirred in a wonderful way many hearts with a desire to make their lives tell largely in the fulfilling of Christ's redemptive plan; adventurous in that "by faith," prayer and oftentimes sacrificial giving we have been a great factor in the ideals and policies of one of the world's greatest Christian crusades; and hopeful in that we are co-workers with Him who is our strength, and with the assurance of His promise, "Lo, I am with you to the end."

If these things "make us to will and to do," if "the legacies of the past have made the present rich and strong for us," then surely we are well equipped for continued progress, for one of our inheritances is the sure foundation of our organization laid by hearts loyal and true who "by faith being Divinely instructed concerning things not yet seen, became heirs of the righteousness which is according to faith having also obtained the promise." Many of these, "whom we loved long since and lost awhile" have "joined those immortal dead," but of a truth they do "live again in minds made better by their presence, live in pulses stirred to generosity, in deeds of daring rectitude, in scorn of miserable aims that end with self, in thoughts sublime that pierce the night like stars and with their mild persistence urge men's minds to vaster issues." To these inspiring lives we owe a large debt of gratitude, for truly they served mankind. Encouraged by their example, by faith we take up the burden of "vaster issues" in this new day. Plainly these issues are of God, they demand a new order of life, new courage, renewed consecration, seeing eyes and a bolder faith. Our denomination is facing its severest test. Our task is well begun but by no means finished, and the advancement

made this year will be determined largely by our faith, perseverance and loyalty sanctioned by prevailing prayer. These four-fold qualities must be the dominant factors that stimulate our activities. The spiritual energy, the new life currents, the impelling power of the presence of the Holy Spirit so necessary for the preparation and accomplishment of our work will be realized in that measure our faith lays hold on God through prayer. How can it be otherwise, if in faith we pray, "Thy Kingdom come, Thy will be done." Christ's unfailing promise is "Have faith in God, and all things whatever ye pray and ask for, believe that ye receive, and ye shall have them." A very significant warning is noted by Dr. Mott, when he observes that an alarming weakness among Christians is that we are producing Christian activities faster than we are producing Christian experience and Christian faith, that the strengthening of our faith and the deepening of our acquaintance with God are not proving sufficiently thorough to enable us to meet the unprecedented expansion of opportunities and responsibilities of our generation. Today great emphasis—and rightly so—is being placed upon the development of our State's natural resources and unused powers. In the mad rush for gain we forget that even in material development it is God who giveth that power. "The real forces of life are not found in material things," says Dr. Babson, "but are unseen and spiritual, that the greatest development in years to come will be along spiritual lines. The wonderful power of electricity is nothing compared with the latent spiritual forces which are today unused. These are the things which Jesus had in mind when He talked to the people two thousand years ago about the power of faith." My heart's desire is that in this meeting, there shall be rekindled such fires of enthusiasm, there shall come such clearness of vision, that we shall go forth to our unfinished task to test and practice this great truth, that we strive to learn the unlearned lesson, that the greatest of all undeveloped resources is faith, the greatest of all unused power is prayer, the two go together and they are all powerful.

Closely linked with these regnant forces, I urge you to consider as a second necessary element, perseverance. Whatever may have been our achievements in our various efforts, we cannot close our eyes to the fact that our hope for continued attainment will be gauged by our spirit of perseverance. The enthusiasm and energy of the initial months of the campaign will be lost, the ultimate fruits of victory will become "dead sea-fruit," if having begun a good work, we do not persevere unto the end. "Ye did run well, what did hinder," should not be asked the Baptists women of Mississippi, rather this one thing I do should be the challenge of individuals, churches, societies and auxiliaries. Not that it will be easy to succeed. True success like character must "grow," first the blade, then the ear, then the full corn in the ear. Trials, difficulties, and the school of severe discipline may be necessary to teach some of us the true value of this great virtue. At times that which seems to be the brilliant flashes of genius and attainment are more often determination and steadfastness of purpose. "Steadfast, unmovable always abounding" is an ideal worthy of our consideration. The one impelling desire of the great apostle's life was that he might say, I have fought a good fight, I have finished the course, and by his life of sacrificial endurance and heroic perseverance he has filled the world with the wonder and power of his life.

Three years ago the slogan that sounded oftenest throughout our entire nation was "Loyalty First." Loyalty was an imperative word. There was no place to be found in our natural life for divided allegiance. Each man and woman was

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MY IMPRESSIONS OF CLARKE COLLEGE.

(Chas. B. Williams, Prest. Howard College.)

I recently visited Clarke College during the week of the Bible Institute. I have never seen a Bible Institute better attended and more appreciated by college students. Dr. George H. Crutcher and the writer were the out of state speakers, the former speaking on Evangelism and denominational affairs, the writer expounding the letter to Ephesians and applying its teachings to the modern life and also giving two lectures to the preachers on "The Minister's Spiritual Culture" and "Intellectual Culture."

My Impressions of the College.

1. I was impressed with the religious atmosphere and intensely Christian type of education being given in the college.
2. With the efficiency and sane visions of President John F. Carter. Though in his first year as president he seems to know how to combine and guide the college for the highest efficiency of the institute and to the best interest of the students.
3. With the fine personnel of the faculty, their excellent Christian spirit and educational ideals. Professor Cox, Miss Carter, Miss Lorick, Miss Meeks and others whose names I do not recall, make a fine faculty for a Junior Christian College.
4. I was also impressed with its need of improvements and equipment. The Baptists of Mississippi ought, and likely do, appreciate the beautiful situation of the campus and the three good buildings which furnish the nucleus of a great plant for one of the best junior colleges in the land.
5. I was also impressed that the Baptists should give Clarke a greater patronage as to students. President Carter is planning a campaign for the summer to put at least 175 to 200 students in the college next session. May the Baptists of East Mississippi co-operate for the realization of his ideals.

PREACHERS.

Preachers are a select set. Some are selected by the Lord, others by some one else, and some are self-selected. He is called upon to bear great burdens, frequently for the other fellow, as well as a great message. He is a good hand to turn a grindstone and is often forced into this service by the high and the low. Some preachers are wise and some are otherwise, more possibly otherwise than wise. The otherwise as a rule think he is wise but usually he is any otherwise than wise when measured in wisdom's bin. Whenever the otherwise speak of the wise, he always says that the wise is a fine preacher BUT; he is a good pastor BUT; he is a good man BUT; and he BUTS on until he has BUTTED everything good out of the other preacher and leaves him, as he thinks, dead or dying, upon the altar of his own gossip. With the otherwise preacher any man is good, fine, splendid with a BUT prefixed to his name. He says such an one is a good preacher BUT he is too dressy, BUT he is too orthodox, BUT he is never on a committee, BUT he is not sound, BUT he got in bad on his last field, BUT he is, well anything and everything but what he thinks he ought to be which means that the wise is not like the otherwise. The fact of the matter is, that this otherwise one is forever heaping aspersions upon the name of every other preacher whose name is mentioned in his presence and, unfortunately, does not always confine himself to the truth in his BUTTING. It is my policy, that whenever one of these BUTTING preachers BUTS in on the name of another preacher in my company, to inform the one whose name is thus besmirched and give the source of the smirching, this is the only way to stop this BUT preacher from BUTTING every man's name he may happen to know. There can be shown instances where one of these BUTTING preachers has been invited to assist another in a series of meetings and while in that meeting, when the pastor was mentioned, he has said "your pastor is a fine man BUT, well, I will not say just what I was going to say" and leaves the peo-

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Try these on your congregation, these five minute sermons in the Baptist Record. They have a specific purpose in this campaign for enlarging our subscription list. Let the people who don't get the Record have them read to them on Sunday Morning. If you wish sample copies of the Baptist Record let us hear from you.

If your neighbor is not taking The Baptist Record, lend him your copy and tell him you would like to take his subscription and send it in. Many a sinner has yielded to the preacher's exhortation when a kind friend touched him on the elbow and asked him to go.

Nicotine gets its name from Nicot who introduced tobacco into France.

If any of our preacher brethren do not like the brief weekly sermon which we propose to publish each week, well, we may have heard better ourselves. But what we should be glad to see is every preacher doing a faithful part by his people in preaching to them on the vital matter of reading. Just to stir up your pure minds, brethren.

In the five year pastorate of J. B. Quin at Tybertown the church membership has increased 100 per cent, the pastor's salary 200 per cent, gifts to missions and benevolences 500 per cent; the Sunday school 100 per cent, and the church went from half time to full time. The W. M. U. is one of the best and there is a splendid B. Y. P. U. He has begun work at Picayune.

Baptists have never had a greater mission in the world or a better opportunity for service than confronts us today. We must make the fight against sacramentalism, that conception of religion which holds that the grace of Christ is confined to the ordinances and ritual in the hands of a priestly class; and we must make the fight on the "Modernist" who destroys faith in the infallible word of God and the atoning death of Jesus Christ. The Lord looks to us for the maintaining of a pure gospel; and the world can be saved by none other.

What would you think of a Baptist preacher who stood in a Baptist pulpit and used a Catholic Rosary, a string of beads, repeating over and over the prayer "Hail Mary etc?" What would you think of a choir in a Baptist church, or a soloist, which sang, "Ave Maria." Well, most of our Baptist people wouldn't stand for it. We don't believe in the worship of the mother of Jesus, nor anybody else's mother. And yet some of our Baptist churches are observing mothers day, including singing songs to their mothers, some of them dead and some of them alive. Songs are an expression of worship. The Lord's day is intended for the worship of God. Anybody who worships any created being is a heathen, whether he lives in China or America. Our mothers who are Christians do not wish us to worship them. They would say with the angel who spoke to John, "See thou do it not; I am a fellow servant with thee. Worship God." We can drift into Romanism and heathenism in the churches simply by not thinking and adopting any Sunday fad that comes along. It is time for some people to wake up their thinkers, and think.

Can you remember the long ago when gasoline sold for 6 cents a gallon, in 1893. In 1896 there were only four automobiles in the United States.

We are still affected by the strike to the extent that we are able this week to get out only half of the usual number of pages. While reducing the quantity temporarily, we will try to keep up the quality of matter sent out, and hope to get back to "normalcy" soon.

The Federal Reserve Board report for April says: "Among the factors that are retarding readjustment are retail prices, high transportation charges, wages and the relatively high prices of such highly important requisites of production as coal and steel. The most important immediate point at which the readjustment process appears to be sticking is the retail price situation."

This is well said. For example, the wholesale price of cheese is said to have dropped ten cents on the pound but the man who buys it to take home hasn't gotten the benefit of it. Cotton prices are lower than in 1913 but cotton goods are higher. The same is true of wool and woolen goods, and painfully true of hides and leather goods. The effort to improve business by insisting on people buying for the good of the cause won't work and ought not to work until the retail price comes down.

The First Church, Chicago, has called Dr. Carter Helm Jones now pastor in Philadelphia.

THINKING WHITE.

The reading of Dan Crawford's book, "Thinking Black," is a revelation and a nightmare; a revelation of a soul surcharged with the love of Christ, and a nightmare in that it uncovers a situation in our world as black as midnight, a place where darkness has covered the land and gross darkness the people.

Now if somebody can and will write a book on "Thinking White"—there is room for it, and need. This is to make a suggestion, not to write a book. There is no doubt the purpose of the gospel is to start men to thinking white and keep them at it. David was not simply using a perverid figure of speech when he said, "Purify me with hyssop, and I shall be clean: Wash me and I shall be whiter than snow." For his heart was only pleading the promise of God, "Though your sins be as scarlet, they shall be as white as snow; though they be red like crimson, they shall be as wool."

Paul put before us the same idea and our responsibility for maintaining it when he said, "Whatsoever things are pure, think on these things." It will be possible for the reader to recall amid the many awful things with which the papers were filled during the recent war, the accounts of two unparalleled explosions, one at Hoboken, N. J., and the other at Halifax. The loss by the first in window glass alone in New York and Brooklyn was said to be a million dollars. The one in Halifax was so fearful that it startled two continents. The cause in the first case is said to have been one eight-thousandth part impurity. The second was caused by just half so much if impurity in the composition of the T. N. T., the explosive which turned the tide of battle in Austria and in France.

If so small, apparently insignificant a fraction of impurity in T. N. T. can cause such fearful destruction, how can we estimate the damage done the world by having the gospel adulterated by error, or corrupted by the practices of those who represent it. If the gospel is the dynamite of God unto salvation of a sin cursed world, we must see to it that it and those who are its advocates shall not imperil the world by letting sin into the thoughts. If we are to save not civilization only but the whole world with it, let us be sure we are thinking white.

W. M. U. PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Mrs. A. J. Aven.

When Christ enunciated the great truth, "I am come that they might have life, and have it abundantly," He laid down a cardinal principle that all Christian life should be marked by steady growth. Life and growth are synonymous terms, where development ceases, death begins. It is also a thought worthy of consideration that there is in human history a continuity of Divine revelation and leadership. That God through the Holy Spirit leads His people into new and larger fields of service. Sometimes the way may lead through the "valley of weeping," but they shall go, even as the Psalmist said "from strength to strength." There are many periods in the history of our Woman's Missionary Union that are marked by distinct progress. These periods of achievement stand out as clearly against the past as mountain peaks stand out against the evening sky. If I were asked to describe in few words the growth and progress of the more than four decades of our State organization, I would characterize it, first "by faith," second, "by faith," and on through the other periods—and then as a prophecy of the determined effort for the future. I would reaffirm, "by faith." The history of all real progress is the history of God's challenge and man's response. Just as our great national danger demanded a new standard of patriotism and service from every citizen, so the present condition of the world, and the missionary task demands from every Christian a change in the existing standards of missionary zeal and service, and the elevation of our spiritual ideals. The reports which will be presented for your consideration may not total the sum of the gifts of last year, nor represent the real financial strength of our societies, yet with all the stress and strain, the financial and industrial readjustments which have made themselves felt in our State our union's response to the denomination's kingdom programme has been glad, exultant, adventurous and hopeful. Glad, in that through these difficulties we have recognized God's leadership and responded to the opportunities for service with the joyful willingness of trustful children; exultant, in that as a direct result of our wonderful campaign a world vision and world passion have stirred in a wonderful way many hearts with a desire to make their lives tell largely in the fulfilling of Christ's redemptive plan; adventurous in that "by faith," prayer and oftentimes sacrificial giving we have been a great factor in the ideals and policies of one of the world's greatest Christian crusades; and hopeful in that we are co-workers with Him who is our strength, and with the assurance of His promise, "Lo, I am with you to the end."

If these things "make us to will and to do," if "the legacies of the past have made the present rich and strong for us," then surely we are well equipped for continued progress, for one of our inheritances is the sure foundation of our organization laid by hearts loyal and true who "by faith being Divinely instructed concerning things not yet seen, became heirs of the righteousness which is according to faith having also obtained the promise." Many of these, "whom we loved long since and lost awhile" have "joined those immortal dead," but of a truth they do "live again in minds made better by their presence, live in pulses stirred to generosity, in deeds of daring rectitude, in scorn of miserable aims that end with self, in thoughts sublime that pierce the night like stars and with their mild persistence urge men's minds to vaster issues." To these inspiring lives we owe a large debt of gratitude, for truly they served mankind. Encouraged by their example, by faith we take up the burden of "vaster issues" in this new day. Plainly these issues are of God, they demand a new order of life, new courage, renewed consecration, seeing eyes and a bolder faith. Our denomination is facing its severest test. Our task is well begun but by no means finished, and the advancement

made this year will be determined largely by our faith, perseverance and loyalty sanctioned by prevailing prayer. These four-fold qualities must be the dominant factors that stimulate our activities. The spiritual energy, the new life currents, the impelling power of the presence of the Holy Spirit so necessary for the preparation and accomplishment of our work will be realized in that measure our faith lays hold on God through prayer. How can it be otherwise, if in faith we pray, "Thy Kingdom come, Thy will be done." Christ's unfulfilling promise is "Have faith in God, and all things whatever ye pray and ask for, believe that ye receive, and ye shall have them." A very significant warning is noted by Dr. Mott, when he observes that an alarming weakness among Christians is that we are producing Christian activities faster than we are producing Christian experience and Christian faith, that the strengthening of our faith and the deepening of our acquaintance with God are not proving sufficiently thorough to enable us to meet the unprecedented expansion of opportunities and responsibilities of our generation. Today great emphasis—and rightly so—is being placed upon the development of our State's natural resources and unused powers. In the mad rush for gain we forget that even in material development it is God who giveth that power. "The real forces of life are not found in material things," says Dr. Babson, "but are unseen and spiritual, that the greatest development in years to come will be along spiritual lines. The wonderful power of electricity is nothing compared with the latent spiritual forces which are today unused. These are the things which Jesus had in mind when He talked to the people two thousand years ago about the power of faith." My heart's desire is that in this meeting, there shall be rekindled such fires of enthusiasm, there shall come such clearness of vision, that we shall go forth to our unfinished task to test and practice this great truth, that we strive to learn the unlearned lesson, that the greatest of all undeveloped resources is faith, the greatest of all unused power is prayer, the two go together and they are all powerful.

Closely linked with these regnant forces, I urge you to consider as a second necessary element, perseverance. Whatever may have been our achievements in our various efforts, we cannot close our eyes to the fact that our hope for continued attainment will be gauged by our spirit-of perseverance. The enthusiasm and energy of the initial months of the campaign will be lost, the ultimate fruits of victory will become "dead sea-fruit," if having begun a good work, we do not persevere unto the end. "Ye did run well, what did hinder," should not be asked the Baptists women of Mississippi, rather this one thing I do should be the challenge of individuals, churches, societies and auxiliaries. Not that it will be easy to succeed. True success like character must "grow," first the blade, then the ear, then the full corn in the ear." Trials, difficulties, and the school of severe discipline may be necessary to teach some of us the true value of this great virtue. At times that which seems to be the brilliant flashes of genius and attainment are more often determination and steadfastness of purpose. "Steadfast, unmovable always abounding" is an ideal worthy of our consideration. The one impelling desire of the great apostle's life was that he might say, I have fought a good fight, I have finished the course, and by his life of sacrificial endurance and heroic perseverance he has filled the world with the wonder and power of his life.

Three years ago the slogan that sounded oftenest throughout our entire nation was "Loyalty First." Loyalty was an imperative word. There was no place to be found in our natural life for divided allegiance. Each man and woman was

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MY IMPRESSIONS OF CLARKE COLLEGE.

(Chas. B. Williams, Prest. Howard College.)

I recently visited Clarke College during the week of the Bible Institute. I have never seen a Bible Institute better attended and more appreciated by college students. Dr. George H. Crutcher and the writer were the out of state speakers, the former speaking on Evangelism and denominational affairs, the writer expounding the letter to Ephesians and applying its teachings to the modern life and also giving two lectures to the preachers on "The Minister's Spiritual Culture" and "Intellectual Culture."

My Impressions of the College.

1. I was impressed with the religious atmosphere and intensely Christian type of education being given in the college.
2. With the efficiency and sane visions of President John F. Carter. Though in his first year as president he seems to know how to combine and guide the college for the highest efficiency of the institute and to the best interest of the students.
3. With the fine personnel of the faculty, their excellent Christian spirit and educational ideals. Professor Cox, Miss Carter, Miss Lorick, Miss Meeks and others whose names I do not recall, make a fine faculty for a Junior Christian College.
4. I was also impressed with its need of improvements and equipment. The Baptists of Mississippi ought, and likely do, appreciate the beautiful situation of the campus and the three good buildings which furnish the nucleus of a great plant for one of the best junior colleges in the land.
5. I was also impressed that the Baptists should give Clarke a greater patronage as to students. President Carter is planning a campaign for the summer to put at least 175 to 200 students in the college next session. May the Baptists of East Mississippi co-operate for the realization of his ideals.

PREACHERS.

Preachers are a select set. Some are selected by the Lord, others by some one else, and some are self-selected. He is called upon to bear great burdens, frequently for the other fellow, as well as a great message. He is a good hand to turn a grindstone and is often forced into this service by the high and the low. Some preachers are wise and some are otherwise, more possibly otherwise than wise. The otherwise as a rule think he is wise but usually he is any otherwise than wise when measured in wisdom's bin. Whenever the otherwise speak of the wise, he always says that the wise is a fine preacher BUT; he is a good pastor BUT; he is a good man BUT; and he BUTS on until he has BUTTED everything good out of the other preacher and leaves him, as he thinks, dead or dying, upon the altar of his own gossip. With the otherwise preacher any man is good, fine, splendid with a BUT prefixed to his name. He says such an one is a good preacher BUT he is too dressy, BUT he is too orthodox, BUT he is never on a committee, BUT he is not sound, BUT he got in bad on his last field, BUT he is, well anything and everything but what he thinks he ought to be which means that the wise is not like the otherwise. The fact of the matter is, that this otherwise one is forever heaping aspersions upon the name of every other preacher whose name is mentioned in his presence and, unfortunately, does not always confine himself to the truth in his BUTTING. It is my policy, that whenever one of these BUTTING preachers BUTS in on the name of another preacher in my company, to inform the one whose name is thus besmirched and give the source of the smirching, this is the only way to stop this BUT preacher from BUTTING every man's name he may happen to know. There can be shown instances where one of these BUTTING preachers has been invited to assist another in a series of meetings and while in that meeting, when the pastor was mentioned, he has said "your pastor is a fine man BUT, well, I will not say just what I was going to say" and leaves the peo-

ple wondering just what is wrong with the pastor.

Then there is the IF preacher who will agree with you in all that may be said about another preacher after he has added the prefix IF to the name mentioned. Any man is fine with him IF he were not such a sticler for Baptist doctrines, IF he were more up-to-date, IF he were sound, IF he had a better delivery, IF he were as big as he thinks he is, IF he could control his children, IF he had not married the woman he did, IF he were not such a liar. So this IF preacher is conversant with the needs of every other preacher and versed in the use of IF. When the truth is, he himself is everything he has "IFFED" in the other fellow. He has never had the advantages of any sort of an education and is wonderfully lacking in "hoss sense" and has never accomplished anything in his life yet he persists in IFFING the other preacher. One of these IF preachers said in my presence, after hearing a great sermon by one of the greatest preachers in all our land, "if I could not beat that man preaching I would quit" and that too when he had spent more than one-half of his life with small churches and had never done anything but move and IF the other preacher. Such a preacher is so little that he could crawl through the eye of a needle and never touch sides nor bottom. This unfortunate IF preacher ought to exhibit some of his super-ability by doing something besides IFFING the other preachers.

We all since long ago have lamented the fact that women are very unmerciful in their consideration of her fallen sister, but there are preachers who are as unmerciful in considering the other preacher as a tornado is to whatever happens to be in its path. Many of the greatest injuries ever inflicted upon some preachers have been imposed by these IF and BUT preachers, any one of whom is so dwarfed that a mosquito could carry ten thousand of them on its back from here to the moon and not be conscious of their weight; so narrow in his conception of the high calling of a preacher that, if he were held between one and the sun, his presence there would not be perceptible; he is so top heavy, while the grey matter in his head would not fill the brain cells in a rat's head, that the wonder is that he don't walk upon his hands instead of his feet; he is so full of such high mental explosives, that when he does explode the earth will tremble under his feet and woe to the inhabitants thereof.

Blessed is the man who can toot his own horn for the time will come when he will be left tooting it alone.

SIMON SIMS.

FROM CHINA.

I am writing from Yu Cheng where Mrs. Lowe and I have been working several days. Leonard and Bryan have joined us. In three days, March 1st to 3rd, we have just paid out as per endorsed report the sum of \$2,087.17 to the heads of 1057 families representing 3536 persons living in about sixty villages. There are forty more villages to be added to our list just as soon as investigations can be made as to the condition of each household.

These three days have been busy days for us all with scarcely time for meals or sleep. A good rain has fallen—this is real famine relief for these poor people for it makes sure a wheat crop, but it is three months till wheat harvest. Next month will be the hardest yet and more money will be needed by these poor people to keep soul and body together.

The first ten thousand gold will bring more than \$20,000. I have just heard that you have sent \$10,000 additional. After a few days on this field Dr. David Bryan plans to visit our poor Christians in Shanai where conditions are rapidly growing worse. He will carry a part of the last ten thousand to that field. Dr. Hearn is working with Mr. Palling of the English Baptist Mission near the mouth of the Yellow river; he reports terrible needs there.

It would do our people a world of good to see how happy these people are to get their offerings. We shall do our best to save every one of

them. Tell our people we are looking after every dollar and every person helped is first investigated.

I am grieved to hear that my dear friend, John Cheavens is now at rest. That was such a shock to us. Remember me kindly to Mrs. Cheavens when you write to her. John was pure gold.

Many thanks for your thought for us and these unfortunates.

Lovingly,

JOHN W. LOWE.

THREE NEW BLUE MOUNTAIN EVANGELISTS.

T. T. Martin, Evangelist.

Pastor Oliver Reed, of Carrollton, Mo., with the great gospel singer, J. P. Scholfield, will enter the evangelistic field September 1st and will be on the force of "The Blue Mountain Evangelists." During these years I have tried to make the name "The Blue Mountain Evangelists" stand for evangelists and singers who are clean, safe, sound and effective, so that pastors and churches will know that no ill after-effects would follow the work done by them. In all these years I have introduced no men to the pastors and churches whom I could more strongly commend than Evangelist Oliver Reed and Gospel Singer J. P. Scholfield. They will give themselves to work throughout the country. They can be reached by addressing them at Fort Scott, Kansas, or in my care, Blue Mountain, Miss.

Pastor Wm. P. Pearce of the First Baptist church, Cairo, Ill., joins me in my work. His pathos and power in preaching are to me a wonder. I shall go before as forerunner and his thrilling preacher and Petroff, "The Bulgarian Caruso," will follow and do the reaping.

Blue Mountain, Miss.

MRS. CORRIE M. HALL.

It was in keeping with the pure spirit of our dear co-worker, Mrs. Corrie Marmon Hall, that her soul should have burst its tenement of clay and winged its way to the Lord who gave it, at the beginning of His own day—the Sabbath—a day which He has set apart as His own, and for His worship.

Those who were acquainted with Mrs. Hall were privileged; those who lived in the same town and knew her as neighbor, friend and Christian worker were blessed; and those who attended her funeral so sublime in character and effect, received a benediction which will last as long as life itself!

It is not our desire—for it would not have been hers—that we eulogize Mrs. Hall—the memory of her beautiful life is a complete eulogy of itself—but we, the members of the New Albany W. M. U. do miss her and mourn her passing away, for we realize that we have lost "Earth's noblest thing, a woman perfected." Therefore be it

Resolved, That we, as a society, do deplore the loss of her who was for years our beloved president, and who by her daily life and gentle counsel did give Christ the pre-eminence: and that even though we feel her loss as almost irreparable, we bow in humble submission to the will of our Lord, while we thank Him that we have the influence of such a life left to guide our future endeavors.

That we extend our deepest sympathy to the bereaved husband, children and other relatives who have lost such a devoted wife, mother and sister and direct them to the care of Him who doeth all things well, and who has promised to send a comforter.

That a copy of these resolutions be printed in the Baptist Record, another in the New Albany Gazette, and that a copy be sent to the family.

MRS. W. F. WILLIAMS,

MRS. J. F. TULL,

MRS. LULA SMITH,

Committee.

Pastor J. H. Page of Roff, Oklahoma, would like to work in meetings in South Mississippi in the summer after July 1st.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION.

The need of the hour is not more factories or materials, not more railroads or steamships, not more armies or more navies, but rather more education based on the plain teachings of Jesus. The prosperity of our country depends on the motives and purposes of the people. These motives and purposes are directed in the right course only through religion. Legislation, bounties, or force are of no avail in determining man's attitude toward life. Harmony at home and peace with the world will only be determined in the same way.

Religion, like everything else of value, must be taught. It is possible to get more religion in industry and business only through the development of Christian education and leadership. With the forces of evil backed by men and money, systematically organized to destroy, we must back with men and money all campaigns for Christian education.

We are willing to give our property and even our lives when our country calls in time of war. Yet the call of Christian education is today of even greater importance than was ever the call of the army or the navy. I say this because we shall probably never live to see America attacked from without, but we may at any time see our best institutions attacked from within.

I am not offering Christian education as a protector of property because nearly all the great progressive and liberal movements of history have been born in the hearts of Christian educators. I do, however, insist that the safety of our sons and daughters, as they go out on the streets this very night, is due to the influence of the preachers rather than to the influence of the policemen and law makers. Yes, the safety of our nation, including all groups, depends on Christian education. Furthermore, at no time in our history has it been more greatly needed.

We insure our houses and factories, our automobiles, and our business through mutual and stock insurance companies, but the same amount of money invested in Christian education would give far greater results. Besides, Christian education can insure what no corporation can insure—namely, prosperity.

As the great life insurance companies are spending huge sums on doctors, scientific investigations, and district nurses to improve the health of the nation, so we business men should spend huge sums to develop those fundamental religious qualities of integrity, industry, faith, and service, which make for true prosperity. I repeat, the need of the hour is—not more factories or materials, not more railroads or steamships, not more armies or navies—but rather more Christian education. This is not the time to reduce investments in schools and colleges at home, or in Y. M. C. A. and similar work in China, Japan, Russia or South America. This is the time of all times to increase such subscriptions.

ROGER W. BABSON.

Pastor A. J. Linton counted the people present at Poplar Springs, Copiah County, present on Saturday and Sunday. There were 40 per cent and 85 per cent of the membership. Two joined for baptism, one a little boy and the other a mature woman who had been a Methodist for several years. The pastor has organized a Woman's Mission Society and a Sunday School of 60 which has grown to 100, with 70 in regular attendance. There is also a Teachers' Training Class of ten expecting diplomas. In April a live B. Y. P. U. was organized and they are very enthusiastic.

Mt. Moriah Church, Lincoln County, will celebrate her anniversary Sunday, July the seventh. All former pastors invited. Write to J. Ben Summers, Bogue Chitto, Miss. T. B. Sandifer is the present pastor.

More than a hundred joined the church during the meeting at Shawnee, Oklahoma, in which Pastor J. B. Lawrence was assisted by Dr. Zeno Wall.

REV. J. C. BUCKLEY.

A few weeks ago the sad news came informing me of the departure of our dear brother, Rev. J. C. Buckley. It is hard for me to realize that he has gone. But since it is true, I can think of him now in the true sense as being at home with God.

The first time I had the privilege of spending a night in a preacher's home was in Brother Buckley's home. I shall never forget the hospitality and spirituality of that home. It is a place indeed where Jesus is loved.

For the greater portion of the last three years of his life he was my counsellor and helper in the ministry while I tried to pastor his church.

He was actively engaged in pastoral work until the end came. He has been for many years moderator of the Strong River Association. He was a man of God, established in the faith and doctrines of God's truth, a great man of prayer and handled well the sword of the Spirit. Eternity alone will reveal the number who fed upon the word of God as they listened to him preach Jesus unto them.

N. J. LEE.

HONOR ROLL FIRST QUARTER

Senior Unions:

DeSoto; Clinton; W. D. Bennett, Woman's College; Leavell, Hattiesburg; Clinton; Winnie D. Bennett, Immanuel, Hattiesburg; DeSoto; Water Valley; B. W. Griffith, Vicksburg; South Side, Meridian; Pontotoc.

Junior Unions:

Taylor; Aberdeen; No. 1, Columbia; No. 2, Columbia; No. 1, First, Laurel; No. 2, First, Laurel; Brookhaven; Grenada; Oxford; Dixon; First, McComb; Summit; Hickory; Clinton; Immanuel, Hattiesburg; Pontotoc; West Laurel.

This gives us thirty-one (31) A-1 Unions reporting for the first quarter. That isn't bad, but why is it that if thirty-one Unions can attain the Standard of Excellence the rest of them cannot? I would like for some one to answer that question. It will help us maybe to solve the A-1 problem. If you will figure the general average requirement of the Standard of Excellence you will find that a Union attaining the Standard only has to be 56 per cent perfect and surely that isn't requiring too much of a Union. Think it over.

100% IN BIBLE READINGS.

The following three Junior B. Y. P. U.'s report that every member in their Union completed the Daily Bible Readings for the first quarter. This list is growing, and we hope soon that it will be even as large as the list of A-1 Unions.

Aberdeen, Miss., Sallie Paine Morgan, Leader; Brookhaven, Miss Fannie Mai Kees, Leader, and No. 2, First Laurel, just one quarter old, Miss Marion Tate, Leader; No. 1, First Laurel, Mrs. W. J. Pack, Leader.

100 PER CENT IN GIVING

The following list is of the Unions that had every member that is a member of the Baptist church reported as giving regularly to the support of the local church and to the 75 Million Campaign. This list is also growing and shows that our B. Y. P. U.'s are really "Training in Church member-

ship" as far as supporting the Kingdom activities are concerned.

Senior Unions:

Union, Panola Co.; Baptist Orphanage; Leavell; Immanuel, Hattiesburg; Clinton; Winnie D. Bennett, Immanuel, Hattiesburg; DeSoto; Water Valley; B. W. Griffith, Vicksburg; South Side, Meridian; Pontotoc.

Junior Unions:

Pittaboro; Como; Yazoo City; Leland; Oxford; Aberdeen; First, Laurel, No. 1; Pontotoc; First, Laurel, No. 2.

Many of our Unions have organized other Unions, but as we have not a complete list of the Unions having organized other Unions we will not give a partial list. We hope next quarter to give a complete list for the second quarter, so if you organize another Union do not fail to report it.

Pastor Theo. Whitfield has been wonderfully blessed in his labors at McComb. He has been pastor there eleven years and has received eleven hundred members into the church and made wonderful improvements on the church building. We have no better convention host than he proved himself to be.

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Mrs. Mary Malissa Byrd, wrought well through life's day, as the oldest of a family of twelve children; as a faithful wife, and sacrificing, untiring mother of four sons and four daughters, including our honored Secretary of Sunday School work; and as a loyal member of Rock Hill church. Just nine days beyond the seventy-second milestone, she fell asleep and many of her friends gathered at her church to see her off on her journey to heaven, tucked beneath a quilt of clay and a coverlet of flowers. One word with its full significance tells her life story—mother.

The love of God like gentle dew Fell on His handmaids good and true,

Who, like the flowers of the grass, Give their sweet odors to all who pass.

But, of the flowers of God that grow Earth has none that we may know;

So lovely, pure, sweet, and good As the modest flower of MOTHERHOOD.

The Ark, no voyage has ever made Like the cradle where her babe was laid,

Who sacrificed her ease and pleasure That she might have this heavenly treasure.

From early morn 'till late at night The mother toiled to keep things right,

And, for all this she paid the price Of life-long, loving sacrifice.

We'll cherish then in memory's book Each gentle word and loving look. The precious hands that stroked our brow.

Are beckoning us to Heaven now, And, for the teachings she early gave

We call her blest and give God praise;

For, by our Savior's boundless grace In heaven we'll see our mother's face.

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C. F. CARNEY.

Brother C. F. Carney was born Dec. 12, 1862, near Tylertown, Miss. He lived all his life (except one year in Texas) near the place of his birth. He was married to Miss Isabel Alexander, Dec. 25, 1883. To this union was born twelve children—six boys and six girls. He was a consistent member of the Jayess Baptist church, also a deacon. He was a good Mason and was Master of his Lodge at the time of his death. He was interested in every movement that meant for the good of the church or school or the community in which he lived. His home was always open to the preacher. He fell asleep Jan. 30, 1921, and was the funeral conducted by the writer buried in the Providence Cemetery, before a large congregation of friends, after which the Masons carried out their formal ceremony and laid him to rest till the Great Day when all shall rise from their graves at the mighty word of Jesus our Lord. May our Father graciously care for the widow and the children in the prayer of their friend and brother.

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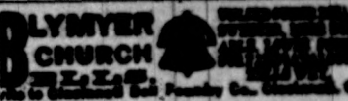
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DISTRICT B. Y. P. U. CONVENTION SCHEDULE.

District	Place	Time
One	Canton	June 6-7
Two	Greenwood	June 9-10
Three	Tupelo	June 16-17
Four	West Point	June 13-14
Five	Biloxi	June 23-24
Six	Columbia	June 20-21

One question is being asked about these conventions. Who is supposed to attend?

One answer is being given to this one question. Everybody that can enjoy a good program. They are especially for our Junior and Senior B. Y. P. U. constituency. Stewardship is the KEY WORD of the conventions and we are to have Dr. J. T. Henderson, our Laymen's Secretary with us at Canton and Greenwood and therefore are looking for a good crowd of Laymen from over these two districts to attend. The main speaker for the other four conventions will be announced later.

MENDENHALL OBSERVES STUDY COURSE.

Pastor J. P. Williams of Mendenhall, sends in a list of those having taken the B. Y. P. U. Manual and successfully passing the test. The class was a large one but not near all took the examination, some having gotten their diploma last year and not understanding that a seal would be given for taking the Manual the second time. The A. H. S. is located at Mendenhall and many of the young people from over the country are being reached through the B. Y. P. U. in the church.

REPORT OF A DIVIDED UNION.
Last fall the Senior B. Y. P. U. of First Church, Vicksburg, saw the wis-

dom of dividing and making two Unions out of the one. That was done and we give here quotations from the report furnished by Miss Claire Patrick, who is the secretary of the Auber J. Wilds Union, composed of the young people fifteen to twenty years of age.

"We all know now that the division of the big union was the best thing that could have happened. We, the younger members had depended on the older members for most of the work, and consequently had not developed the younger members. Now we have a strong Union of young men and women where we all feel the responsibility of the work and do our work with more zeal. I am glad they elected me secretary, I love the work, and am sure there is no other member more interested in the work than I am. We have our business meeting every month, meeting on Tuesday evening. We are A-1 and are going to keep up our record so you will not be ashamed of your name sake."

There are many of our Unions that ought to be divided. There are more and more being divided all along as we learn that better work can be accomplished with from twenty to thirty members than can with fifty or sixty members. You cannot count your successes by the crowd you have, but by the individual work that each member is developed to do. If your Union is too large to use every member on the program at least once a month, then your Union ought to be divided by all means. Look to the training of each individual.

REV. J. C. BUCKLEY.

Our pastor, Rev. J. C. Buckley, departed from this life April 2, 1921. Age, seventy-four. He was laid to rest at his family cemetery, the funeral services were conducted by Brother Joe Lane. A host of friends and relatives attended the funeral. He had friends from far and near, and he leaves a wife to mourn his going.

There were several preachers to speak comforting words to the family.

His grave was covered with beautiful flowers from friends. He will be sadly missed by all. He was pastor of Spring Hill church. Each and every one loved him. As their pastor and as a friend he was always ready to visit the sick and talk for them. Tho he is gone now and is at rest, we know that we shall meet him again in the good country where youth is eternal and God shall wipe all tears from our eyes.

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MRS. W. J. POSEY.

Sister Posey (nee Miss Ella Virginia Irby) was born near Pickens, Holmes county, Miss., Jan. 11, 1866, and died in the same community Mar. 3, 1921. She was first married to Mr. D. Kitchens, who lived only a short while. Her only child, now Mrs. Ola Waites, was born of this marriage.

She was married to Mr. W. J. Posey Mar. 15, 1921, and their married life of thirty years gave every evidence of love and cooperation.

At sixteen she gave her heart to Jesus and united with Central Baptist church. There her life began its true development and here she rendered her best service.

She was true to every relation of life, and in her going her aged mother has lost a tender, pains-taking daughter, sisters, a loving sister, daughter and grandchildren a true mother, her husband a faithful and devoted wife, and the cause of Christ a staunch supporter.

We mourn our loss, but bow to the wisdom of Him who rewards his laborers.

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GRENADA.

Words fail me to tell of the joy I found in assisting my dear friend, Rev. A. A. Stanley in a meeting of days with the First Church, Grenada, recently. It is always a pleasure to visit any place in good old Mississippi, especially when I am associated with such a big, warm-hearted friend as Brother Stanley.

While the visible results were not large, I feel that an important, spiritual work was done that will tell for good in many directions for months to come. Large congregations attended the services throughout, and I was shown all manner of kindnesses by the church and people of that goodly city.

Brother Stanley was soon to close his pastorate in Grenada, a matter which I regretted deeply. He certainly leaves a host of devoted friends there who will follow him with all good wishes.

My work goes on most delightfully with the splendid, First church, here, and I am very happy in my new pastorate. About the only objection I could offer is that Florence is not in Mississippi. Blessings upon all my friends over there!

Florence, Ala. R. L. MOTLEY.

FROM REV. L. E. HALL.

27 Myrtle Ave., Binghampton, N. Y.
Dear Brother Lipsey. For several weeks before I left home I determined to write to you about a certain matter, but I was very busy getting ready to come, and as I expected to be away for six months, there was much to do, and I put it off until it was too late. I have been here for several days, and though very much occupied, I am taking time to write to you this A. M.

The matter about which I wanted to write you is the accursed tobacco habit. It has reached proportions that are amazing and if there is cause for alarm about any thing that the devil is using to damn the world, there certainly must be about this. Start where and when you will, to go any where, and it is one universal and everlasting stink. If this was the only thing that deserved attention in order to take care of the innocent sufferers it would not be so bad, but hundreds of thousands of our boys and young men are ruining themselves and entailing weakness and disease on their innocent posterity. Some of them will never have any posterity for their physical manhood has been wrecked and they can't be a father at all, but many of those who have virility enough left, to be such, can never be the father of a healthy child.

While this is true with the young men and boys, almost universally, it is a fact that many of our older brethren are continually sucking an old tobacco pipe that has last year's nicotine in it. When the wind is fair you can smell them a quarter of a mile. So far as I know there is no effort being made on the part of our churches to meet this onslaught of the devil on the bodies and the souls of men. Only a few days ago I asked a good brother why our churches and many of our pulpits were silent on this subject. He said, "they are afraid." Great God, of infinite mercy and goodness, is it a fact that any of our churches and preachers are too cowardly to be heard in a matter in which God is being dishonored by His people and the innocent and unsuspect-

ing young are being led to disease and death. If there is to be a day in my life when I would be too cowardly to speak out where so much is involved, then I hope I shall not live to see it. Through my work for the press I am preaching to more people than ever before in my life. I will not, in this matter shun to declare the counsel of God. I frequently see, from your pen, very pointed and forcible references to this great evil. God help you to continue it. It will do you good whether your faithful admonitions are heeded or not.

REVIVAL AT EIGHTH AVENUE, MERIDIAN.

We have had the greatest meeting in the history of the church, great congregations from the first service to the last. The meeting closed at high tide. A great wave of spiritual power seemed to have swept over the church and community. Bro. E. E. Huntberry, pastor of 15th Avenue Church preached the gospel with great power. The best singing I have ever heard. Brother Criscoe of South Side Church had charge of the singing and others that came with him rendered fine help. There were 95 received into the church 70 by baptism. Sunday the 24th I baptized 63 in 58 minutes. If there is a happier pastor in the state than I am I would like to see him. To God be all the glory.

W. S. CULPEPPER.

Dr. B. H. Waugh has resigned the work at York, S. C. to accept a call to Lamar, same state. The church at York has greatly prospered under his leadership.

SCHOOL FOR TEACHING OUR NEW CITIZENS THE ENGLISH LANGUAGE.

At the Community Welfare House in Oakdale park at end of Gallatin Street car line a school to teach our new Americans our language, was opened Wednesday, and is now ready for enrolling pupils; men, women, girls, and in fact all who feel the need of a better acquaintance with our language. Miss Lily Hartwell, who has had experience with teaching foreigners, and also experience teaching primary work, will give the lessons in vowels and vocabulary, and Mrs. P. D. Roddey will teach spelling and reading and numbers. These women will be assisted by Mrs. Moore, Mrs. Graves, Mrs. Webb, and Mrs. V. H. Robinson of Second Baptist Church. Others will help as they are needed. The group method will be used, and the Community House is admirably adapted to this work. Classes will be held from 3 to 5 each Wednesday and Friday afternoon. Through the kindness of Mrs. V. H. Robinson books were provided for the first class. Mrs. Brounger also sent a book outlining the study that has been found best for night schools.

Any one knowing names of people who need the work given in this school will help by giving these names over the phone to Mrs. Brounger at 1458, and to Mrs. Roddey at 2101, and Miss Hartwell at Community House.

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REV. GEO. E. DARLING DIES.

The Spirit of Life released the pain-wracked body of Rev. Geo. E. Darling from further suffering on Monday evening at eight o'clock. Quietly and peacefully the spirit "made in the image of God" released its hold and sought the mansions prepared for it and where "treasures had been laid up" by the consecrated minister who had spent a quarter of a century of his brief life in preaching the Gospel.

At his bedside were brother ministers, his devoted and sorrowing wife and his two small sons and a few intimate friends who had been informed the end of the way was nearly reached. The last audible words of the dying man were "I am going to sleep"—"Asleep in Jesus, Blessed Sleep."

Mr. Darling was 47 years and three months of age the day he died, April 25, 1921. He first saw the light in Arkansas and later came with his parents, who survive him, to Blue Springs, North Mississippi, where he spent his early childhood. With his family he moved to Brookhaven in 1919 and built the comfortable residence in which Mr. Darling breathed his last.

Mr. Darling has been pastor in Lincoln county of some seven or eight churches and in his ministry always impressing his deep consecration and profound convictions. At the time of his death and for several years past Mr. Darling was a member of the State Mission Board.

Beside his wife and sons and the aged parents he leaves three sisters and three brothers to mourn his departure.

The funeral services took place at 11:30 this morning at the First Baptist church, Rev. J. A. Taylor, pastor, officiating assisted by other ministers. Beautiful flowers from organizations and individual friends expressed love and interest. The body was interred at Rose Hill Cemetery in the presence of a large company of sorrowing friends.

The last sermon preached by the dead soldier of the Cross was for his congregation at Friendship and the text was taken from Mark 5—"Unto you it is given to know the mystery of the Kingdom of God."

Instead of sorrow there should be joy in the knowledge that all mortal mysteries have been solved for the good and faithful minister who sought so earnestly even in his affliction to help bear his brothers' burdens and to rescue the perishing.

Surely the crown of rejoicing has been won and the rest promised attained after the pilgrimage upon which earth's shadows rested so darkly at the last; but whose rugged way was illuminated by complete resignation to the will of God of which his hopeless condition, physically, was interrupted to be an expression.

May God comfort the widow and the fatherless little sons to whom sympathy goes out abundantly.

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W. M. U. President's Message

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expected to give positive evidence of loyalty to their country. Recently this very thoughtful question has been asked, "If five years ago through the various churches, Christ had said in unmistakable terms, 'I have a cause that at all cost and all hazard must be pushed to a victorious issue. Within five years it will cost you twenty million lives and such an outpouring of wealth that all the race in half a century cannot repay it. What would we have done? How would we have answered? Patriotism made this demand and the world's answer is now common history.' One far reaching lesson of the great world conflict was, we cannot be neutral, when great moral issues are concerned. When great needs and great causes challenge, noble souls are bound to respond. Loyalty is the touchstone of their character. An ancient Hebrew poet summed up the matter as related to our Christian life in that terse exhortation, 'The redeemed of the Lord say so.' The broad programme of 'say so,' and I are given adequate opportunity to learn afresh life's greatest lesson of loyalty. The duty of our allegiance to Christ and our individual responsibility for the successful completion of our denomination's programme have been well emphasized from time to time by our splendid vice-presidents in their enthusiastic district meetings, the associational meetings and rallies, from week to week in the Baptist Record, in the efficient office and field work of our faithful secretaries, and in the searching heart messages recently brought to us by Miss Mallory, Dr. Mullins and Dr. Scarborough. Some one has observed, that it does not take great souls to do great things, but it does take loyal souls. In the light of this statement, each individual woman can show her to meet every pledge knowing her fidelity of purpose and determination strength is of the Lord. There burns deep in my heart today the desire to be a faithful witness for my Master, to be loyal to you and to the responsibilities of office received from you. To this end I am thinking in terms of certain fundamentals which must be the natural outgrowth and ultimate results of our 75-Million Campaign, if we win the victory. Naturally a new vision—such a vision as Ezekiel saw—a river flowing from out the sanctuary—first, a trickle of bright drops, then a streamlet, waters that could not be passed over, a river gladdening wherever it flowed. A new Macedonian vision—a call to help the stricken land of John Huss, priest ridden Spain, suffering Hungary, and persecuted Roumania. A new vision of our own so-called Christian America threatened and beset by many adversaries.

Again I am thinking in terms of loyalty as expressed by aggressive optimism. Our Lord said, 'By their fruits ye shall know them.' Certainly the legitimate products of workers in Christ's vineyard should be more Christian lives, and the more we practice soul-winning, and enlisting workers in His Kingdom the surer we can be we are witnessing for Him and proving our loyalty to Him.

When we speak of home we touch life in its most sacred relations, so today I am also thinking of our loyalty

to this campaign in terms of the home. What do our homes count for as an asset and source of power in denominational service? Can it be said of our homes as it was said of Abraham, "he dwelt in his tent by the oaks of Mamre—and built there an altar unto the Lord," or like Samuel, "In Ramah was his home, and there he built an altar." Let us as Christian mothers put the emphasis in the right place. From the warmth and glow of home altars must come the strength, courage, and nobility of character that will lift our State and the world nearer the ideals of Christian democracy today. A flood of pernicious literature, indiscriminate and suggestive screen pictures, joy riding, the desecration of the Sabbath and many other insinuating forms of evil are striking at the very heart of our Christian civilization—The Home, The Church, The School—the integrity of this trilogy must be kept inviolate. Christian womanhood has always shared this responsibility in some measure. Christ's own words commissioned her to be among His chosen messengers, "not only to my disciples and Peter, but unto all nations. In this difficult new day as Christian citizens, we assume new relations and new burdens of responsibility.

In the third test of our loyalty, I am thinking in terms of our attitude toward our young people. We have been slow in recognizing the strength of youth, we have been slow in realizing the need and power of trained leadership. "One of the greatest privileges of the churches of the present day, is to inspire and train their young people for Christian service. We have as yet failed to grasp the full significance and challenge of this task. No organization could ask for a greater privilege—guided by the Holy Spirit—to discover young men and young women with qualities for leadership, and to inspire them to seek opportunities for service." It was with this thought in mind that we petitioned our State Convention Board to make some provision whereby our young women who felt the call for definite Christian work might be better equipped. Our brethren did not think it expedient to undertake this work just now, therefore I come again with this burden which I believe God has put upon my heart and recommend that we continue our district scholarship in our two colleges for young women.

In Annie Fellows Johnston's fascinating story, "The Three Weavers," she tells of three little maids, Hurtha, Huberta and Hildegard. At their birth the good fairy of weavers gave to each a tiny loom predicting for each that a royal prince would come into her life. As they grew the looms grew too, and each directed by her father wove a mantle of cloth of gold fit for the prince when he should come. But the time was long, and Huberta seeing a shepherd lad pass took the unfinished mantle from her loom—for she was weary with her task and gave it to him. Hertha wove her mantle separate from the others giving to it such time as she could spare from other duties and a life of pleasure. Only Hildegard kept at her weaving, testing it day by day by her father's measurements refusing to cut the golden warp till he should say to her "tis finished," a worthy love gift

for a royal prince. Does the little story bring a lesson to your hearts? Have you wearied in well doing, or turned aside from the unfinished task, or have you purposed in your hearts that you will not by unpaid pledges or unfulfilled vows of loyalty, cut the golden warp or mar the beautiful pattern of the mantle that Southern Baptists are weaving for the royal Prince of Peace? Will you by Faith, Perseverance and Loyalty test the progress of your work by your Heavenly Father's own measurement—sacrificial love?

BUSINESS NOTICE.

To readers and subscribers of the Baptist Record we desire to announce that it may be impossible for a few weeks, for us to continue to have the Baptist Record published. The printers' Strike is causing us to have to pay at least fifty per cent more to get the paper out than it has been costing. So, if you fail to get your paper, remember the reason. We are doing our best. Be assured of that.

Yours,

R. B. GUNTER.

NEWS IN THE CIRCLE
Martin Ball.

Rev. M. C. Vick received a cordial welcome as pastor of the First church Clarksdale. A great congregation listened with deep interest to his first sermon last Sunday morning—and at the night service other churches giving way—the curtain separating the Sunday School apartment was raised. Five additions to the church. That church knows how to treat a preacher.

Rev. Don Q. Smith has resigned the pastorate of the church at Henderson, Ky. to take effect the last of May. It is not stated what his plans are.

Pastor W. U. Nevings has resigned the East church, Louisville, Ky., to accept a call to the Central church Winchester, same state.

Rev. C. S. Leavell, Superintendent of the Sunday School of the First church, Anderson, S. C., says: "The average attendance for April was 1,046. On April 24th there were 222 present in the Baraca Class and 80 present in the Young Men's Bible class. The school is now using a large hall down town for classes—The church house overflowing.

Evangelist J. W. Hickerson, of the Ft. Worth Seminary, is now conducting a meeting with the church at Union, S. C. Large congregations attend on his preaching and the prospects are fine for a great meeting. He was once pastor at Durant.

Pastor A. K. Wright, of the Baptist Tabernacle, Louisville, Ky., has just closed a fine meeting with his church. There were Sixty-eight baptized, 18 received by letter and four reclaimed.

Rev. J. H. Neal has resigned at Glasgow, Ky. and taken charge of the pastorate at Bloomfield, same state. He received a cordial welcome to the new pastorate.

Dr. A. C. Dixon assisted Pastor Wallace Bassett in a great meeting at the Central church, Dallas, Texas, recently. There were 105 additions. The entire community was stirred.

It is stated that the largest Bible class in the world is to be found at Long Beach, California. It has an average attendance of 1,500.

Dr. Neal, who was sometime ago elected General Secretary to assist Secretary Grover of the Texas Mission Board, has accepted a call to the First church, El Paso, Texas. He is a strong man and will make himself felt in this border city for the Kingdom.

The Baptist Standard states the First church, Sherman, Texas, has captured our beloved brother, T. L. Holcomb, of Columbia, to follow Rev. F. F. Brown in that great pastorate. Everybody will regret his going. But he will add much to the ministerial force of Texas.

A strong Mississippi church is making love to Rev. J. W. Storer, of Paris, Tenn., but the church at Paris very strenuously objects to such wooings. Bro. Storer is a splendid preacher and an all-round good pastor.

Pastor J. B. Leavell of Houston, Texas, recently assisted Pastor Day, Texas, recently assisted Pastor Day, Conroe, Texas, in a fine meeting. There were 80 additions—62 by baptism. Pastor and people are happy.

Evangelist T. T. Martin has added three Evangelists to his Blue Mountain force of Evangelists. Rev. Oliver Reed, of Carrollton, Mo., with J. P. Scollfield as singer and Rev. W. T. Pierce of Cairo, Ill.

Evangelist H. E. Dana, of the Ft. Worth Seminary, has just closed a good meeting at Memphis, Texas. There were twenty-eight additions—twenty-six by Baptism. Bro. Dana is well known and much loved in North Mississippi.

Pastor W. W. Melton, of Waco, Texas, writes of a great meeting with the Seventh and James Street church. He was aided by Perry F. Evans, Seminary Evangelist. There were 104 additions—65 by baptism. The church was strengthened in every department of work.

Rev. C. Cleveland Kiser has just held a meeting at the Second church, Douglas, Ga. There were sixty-six additions. Bro. Kiser is much loved in Mississippi.

On the 5th Sunday in May Rockport Baptist church will dedicate its new building. All former pastors are invited. J. H. Lovel will conduct the services.

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